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PATENT 8035-1021

## IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Application No. 10/520,177 Group 1713

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GASKET MATERIAL

## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 30, 2008

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action of December 31, 2007, the period for response having been extended by one month to April 30, 2008 by petition, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this response.